GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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COMMISSION FOR ECONOMICALLY BACKWARD CLASSES EBCS
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a)Whether the Union Government has decided continuation of the Commission for Economically Backward Classes (EBCs);

(b) If so, whether the Commission has been asked to recommend welfare measures and the quantum of reservations in education and Government employment in consultation with the National Commission for Religious and Linguistic Minorities;

(c) If so, whether the Government has also agreed to give a legal and administrative modalities for implementation of the recommendations made by the Commission;

(a) If so, the details thereof; and

(b) The problem focused in this Commission and the other points that the Commission has been asked to go into during 2005-06?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE &EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) to (e) Yes, Sir. The terms of reference of the Commission are:

(i) To elicit the views of State Govts/UTs and others on the subject;

(ii) To suggest criteria for identification of economically backward classes;

(iii)To recommend the welfare measures and quantum of reservation in education and Government Employment in consultation with the National Commission for Religious & Linguistic Minorities;

(iv)To suggest the necessary constitutional, legal and administrative modalities as required for the implementation of their recommendations.

The Commission shall consist of a Chairperson, one Member and one Member Secretary.

The Commission is required to submit its recommendations within a period of six months from the date of appointment of the Chairperson.